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HIS PROTEST MADE BY LETTER TO MRS. GANDHI, BHUTTO'S CALL FOR A HARTAL ON THE KASHMIR ISSUE; HIS COMMENT IN THE LEW SIMONS WASHINGTON POST INTERVIEW MARCH 6 THAT "IT IS PREMATURE TO SAY IF HOSTILITIES ARE LIKELY. BUT IF ALL OUR PEACEFUL EFFORTS ARE EXHAUSTED (ON KASHMIR), THEN WE WILL HAVE TO SEE"; AND TIKKA KHAN'S REMARKS ALSO TO LEW SIMONS ON PAKISTAN'S NEED FOR A STRIKE CAPABILITY AS WELL AS DEFENSIVE MILITARY EQUIPMENT ARE THE MAIN ITEMS WHICH ARE BEING CITED AS EVIDENCE FOR INCREASED PAK BELLICOSITY AND AGGRESSIVENESS HERE. OTHER THAN THESE REPORTS, ORIGINATING IN THE US OR PAKISTANI MEDIA, INDIANS REFER TO THE HISTORICAL ARGUMENT THAT WHENEVER NEW ARMS AGREEMENTS HAVE BEEN REACHED BETWEEN PAKISTAN AND THE U.S. IN THE PAST, THE LEADERS OF PAKISTAN HAVE BECOME MORE MILITANT IN THEIR DEALINGS WITH INDIA.SAXBE

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